

HOUSE BILL 112

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By: **Delegates Morhaim and Boutin**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Health - Food Service Facility - Dogs**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the owner of a food service facility to determine
4 whether a dog is permitted in the owner's food service facility; requiring a food
5 service facility to allow a guide dog accompanying a blind or deaf person in all
6 customer service areas of the food service facility; and generally relating to dogs
7 in food service facilities.

8 BY adding to
9 Article - Health - General
10 Section 21-324.1
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article - Health - General**

16 21-324.1.

17 (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE OWNER
18 OF A FOOD SERVICE FACILITY SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER A DOG IS PERMITTED IN
19 THE OWNER'S FOOD SERVICE FACILITY.

20 (B) A FOOD SERVICE FACILITY SHALL ALLOW A GUIDE DOG ACCOMPANYING A
21 BLIND OR DEAF PERSON IN ALL CUSTOMER SERVICE AREAS OF THE FOOD SERVICE
22 FACILITY.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
24 effect October 1, 2004.